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Special Excursion to the World's Fair.
 The Denver & Rio Grande, in connection with the Missouri Pacific, will run a series of personally conducted excursions to the world's fair during June. These excursions will run through to St. Louis without change of cars, making short stops at principal points enroute. The first of these excursions will leave Portland June 7th, and the second June 17th. The rate from Astoria will be \$67.50 to St. Louis and return. Excursionists going via the Denver & Rio Grande have the privilege of returning via a different route. This is the most pleasant way, as well as the most delightful route, to cross the continent. The stops arranged give an opportunity to visit the various points of interest in and about Salt Lake City, Denver and Kansas City. If you wish to accompany one of these excursions write at once to W. C. McBride, 124 Third street, Portland, for sleeping car reservations.

The Northern Pacific Railway Company will place round trip tickets from Portland to St. Louis and return on account of the world's fair on sale as follows:
 June 16th, 17th and 18th.
 July 1st, 2nd and 3rd.
 August 8th, 9th and 10th.
 Sept. 5th, 6th and 7th.
 October 3rd, 4th and 5th.
 The round trip rate to St. Louis and return from Portland will be \$67.50. Tickets will be good for return via any direct line.
 A round-trip rate of \$72.50 will also be made from Portland to Chicago and return.
 If a passenger desires to take in both Chicago and St. Louis the round trip rate will be \$75.00.
 All tickets will be good for 90 days from date of sale. Tickets will be good going ten days from date of sale so that a limited stop-over can be had on the going trip and on the return trip passengers can stop at their pleasure west of the Missouri river or St.

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RUSSIAN GENERAL SAYS PORT ARTHUR CAN HOLD OUT
 Declares That the Japanese Cannot Take It With 100,000 Men and Artillery,

St. Petersburg, May 28.—Captain Jakovlev, former commander of the Russian battleship Petropavlovsk, who was wounded when his ship was destroyed at Port Arthur, April 13, in an interview regarding the possibility of the Japanese capturing Port Arthur declared that it would take 100,000 men with magnificent artillery to accomplish the task. Asked as to the number of men in the Port Arthur garrison Captain Jakovlev said it was much larger than was stated in the telegraphic report—much over 25,000—but he declined to state what would be the exact number when the defenders of the Kinchou position retired within the fortress.
 He discussed with some detail the difficulties of the approach. After the outline of the fortification is reached, said he, a number of detached positions must be captured before the enemy could even reach the inner ring of defenses. The taking of each position would necessitate a bloody battle and their capture would leave the

citadel untouched, and to his mind, impregnable.
 A great deal, of course, would depend upon the relative merits of the artillery of the opposing forces. The Russian guns could not be judged by the results on the Yalu, where the Russians had only light advance guard artillery against the heavy siege guns which the Japanese were bringing up for use in Manchuria.
 Port Arthur, Captain Jakovlev said, had mounted numerous large guns landwards, while Makaroff's system of range finding is so nearly perfect that the Japanese never ventured within reach of the shore batteries. As illustrating the fact the Japanese artillery is not necessarily invincible, the captain said the battleship Petropavlovsk was struck by a 12-inch shell at a distance of two and three quarter miles and her armor was penetrated to a depth of only two inches.
 He declared that Port Arthur was provisioned for a year and said all the damaged ships there had been repaired except the Retvizin and the Czarvitch. The latter, he asserted, ought to be ready, and the former within a week.

Police Chased The Auto
 Arrested the Chauffeur of New York's Mayor for Fast Driving Through the Streets.

New York, May 28.—A bicycle policeman with no regard for the majesty of the mayor's chauffeur, has arrested that individual for exceeding the speed limit. The policeman was given a pretty chase before he overhauled the automobile. The chauffeur was on his way to meet the mayor at Fifth avenue. He was late and dashed at high speed past the guardian of the law, who gave chase for several blocks with the dust flying in his face. When the chauffeur attempted to explain that the chief executive of Greater New York was to be seriously inconvenienced by his misadventure, the policeman hauled his prisoner off to the station house. When the alleged law breaker had about come to the conclusion that he was locked up for the night a friend of the mayor appeared and bailed him out.

awaited death when the incoming tide would cover his body. Workmen found the man as his body was half covered. He was pulled from the mud. Later he tried to borrow a pistol to kill himself, but was prevented by the prompt arrival of an officer, who placed him under arrest. At the police station \$220 in cash was found in the man's pockets. It is believed that he is temporarily insane.

The least busy counter in your store is where the things you didn't advertise are sold. Look about the store and see.

IN EASTERN KOREA.
 Japanese Are Not Seriously Disturbed by Russian Operations.
 Tokio, May 28.—(10 a. m.)—The Japanese are not seriously disturbed by the Russian operations in Eastern Korea. The movements of the Cossack cavalry and battery of guns that accompanies them is being closely watched by the Japanese, who are confident in their ability to protect their communications and maintain the military supremacy of Japan in Korea. The Yalu victory, which opened the Yalu estuary to water communication, diminishes the importance of the line of land communications from Chinnampo to Wiju. The loss of their naval power compels the Russians to avoid the sea along the eastern coast of Korea and limits their operations to the land, where the transportation difficulties prevent the concentration and operation of a land force.

TWO SCHOLARS HURT.
 Detonations From Proving Grounds Dangerous to Coney Island People.
 New York, May 28.—Detonations from the tests of heavy artillery from the government proving grounds at Sandy Hook, besides causing minor damage, has wrecked a portion of a public school building in Coney Island, seven miles distant. Two of the boy pupils were injured by the falling of a part of the ceiling in one of the rooms and the other children were thrown into a panic. One boy sustained a depressed fracture of the skull, which may cause him death.

LAY DOWN TO DIE.
 Alaska Miner Attempted to Drown Himself.
 Seattle, May 28.—Harry Challen, an Alaska miner, lay down in the mud in the tides yesterday and slowly

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 Eczema, the most common and terrible of all skin troubles, begins sometimes with a slight redness of the skin, which gradually spreads, and as the inflammation and itching increase, the entire system is thrown into a restless, feverish condition. Soon little watery blisters or pimples break out, from which a clear liquid or yellow fluid is discharged, which forms thick crusts and sores, or falls off in fine particles or scales, leaving the skin raw and tender, or hard and dry like parchment. Eczema attacks most frequently the legs and arms, back and chest, face and hands, and is a disease that comes and goes in the earlier stages, but is a perpetual torment and constant annoyance when chronic. At times the itching and stinging is so great that the sufferer, driven almost to distraction and tortured beyond endurance, scratches and rubs till the skin is broken and bleeds; but this only aggravates and spreads the disease.
 The humors and poisons that produce the itching eruption, roughness and redness of the skin, must be rooted out before there is complete relief from the terrors of Eczema. Nothing applied externally does any permanent good, for whenever the blood is overheated, or the skin is reacting during Spring and Summer, the disease breaks out again. You can't rely upon washes, soaps and salves, or such things as are applied to the surface, for they do not reach the seat of the trouble, which is internal and deeply implanted in the system; the blood is aflame with the itching, burning humors, which are carried by the circulation to the surface and are being constantly forced out through the glands and pores of the skin, and you can never heal the sores or stop the aggravating eruptions with external applications.
 To neutralize the acids in the blood and expel the humors and poisons is the only way to get permanently rid of this torturing skin trouble, and no remedy known does this so quickly and thoroughly as S. S. S. It purifies the blood and restores it to health, and the outbreak of the poison through the skin ceases, and the sores and eruption gradually disappear. S. S. S. builds up the thin acid blood, makes it rich and strong, and restores to it all the elements of nutrition, and drives from the circulation all impurities; and under the tonic effect of S. S. S. the general system is invigorated and toned up, and you not only get rid of your old skin trouble, but the health is benefited in every way. S. S. S. being a strictly vegetable medicine, acts gently, leaving no bad after-effects, as do Arsenic, Potash and other minerals which are usually prescribed in skin diseases.
 Eczema cannot be cured by anything applied to the surface of the body; the blood must be purified and the cause removed, and in no other way can this deep-seated skin disease be reached. If you have Tetter, Psoriasis, Salt Rheum, Nettle Rash, or any form of Eczema, you will find S. S. S. does its work well and thoroughly, and relieves the itching and burning, soreness and pain, and soon produces a lasting cure.
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Six years ago my wife had a breaking-out below her knees. At first red bumps appeared, but soon white, husky soabs came, and when these would shed off the place became red again, and would itch and burn so that she found it impossible to sleep. At times a yellow water ran from the bumps, and it kept getting worse and worse. Our family physician pronounced it Eczema, and prescribed ointments and powders, but it kept spreading, breaking out on her body and arms, and almost closed up her ears. The druggist at Garner told me to try S. S. S., which she did, and after taking several bottles was cured, and is well to-day and has been for years.
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